

23 MAY 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM:

Director, Office of External Affairs

SUBJECT:

Invitation to Speak at the National Convention of the Young Americans

for Freedom

 Action Requested: Accept or decline an invitation to speak at the twelth biennial National Convention of Young Americans for Freedom, 3-7 August at the Westin Bonaventure Hotel in Los Angeles.

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of Young Americans for Freedom (YAF), have invited you to speak at their national convention. Approximately 500-800 young conservative leaders, professional people and college students supportive of the Reagan administration will be in attendance. The convention will feature many members of the Administration, Congress, the media and the conservative movement in a program of speakers, panels, and seminars. Reportedly, Richard Allen and Rep. Philip Crane (R, IL) will participate. The press will cover the entire convention.

Speakers at past National Conventions have included President Reagan (1977), William F. Buckley, Jr. and Rep. Jack Kemp (R, NY), to name a few. Mr. Buckley will be the keynote speaker at this convention as he was in 1981. They would like you to speak on National Security or any topic that you might. choose on Intelligence. You are also invited to participate in a panel discussion.

Young Americans for Freedom was founded in 1960 by William F. Buckley, Jr. and has a membership of 90,000 bipartisan, political youth (up to age 39). It seeks to promote the conservative philosophy of free enterprise and strong national defense. Student membership includes about 10,000 activists on 500 campuses and its advisory board includes 180 members of Congress. The YAF publishes the New Guard magazine quarterly.



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/s/ William J. Casey		27 MAY 1983		
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